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1. Polish Ocean Lines (Polskie Linie Oceaniczne - PLO), the state owned shipping enterprises, had a regular route from Gdynia-Gdansk to China, which was plied by the following merchant vessels:

S/S PULASKI, KILINSKI, TOBRUK, BALTUK, BYTOM, BIALYSTOK, NARWIK, MODENA, MORENA, KOSCIUSZKO.

M/S BEM, POKOJ, MIKOLAJ REJ, HUGO KOLLATAJ, GENERAL WALTER, WARTA.

2. The following goods and products were exported from Poland to China: locomotives, RR freight cars, refrigerating equipment, glass and porcelain, leather, iron and steel tubing, steel, canned fruit, food, clothing and dynamite. [redacted] ammunition and arms of different kinds were exported in the boxes labeled as porcelain. Some of those boxes came from Czechoslovakia. [redacted] tea and silk were imported from China.

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3. Only the two ports, Canton and Shanghai, were [redacted] being used in this trade. Seventy-five per cent of the crew on board ships sailing to China were Poles; the rest, Chinese and Greeks. There were a few Chinese officers. On the SS MODENA and MORENA the crew was half Polish, half Chinese. The relationship between the Polish and Chinese sailors was rather bad. The Polish sailors were allowed to go ashore in Chinese ports only in groups and had to be accompanied by a guide.

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